RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY REPORT

| 1. Title Tactical Rover-based | 2. Date Prepared 09 29 2008 | | | | |
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| 3. Performing Orga Jet Propulsion Lab | | | 4. NASA Current WBS# | | |
| 5. JPL Project/Tas 102294 982745.03.1 | | (Per GSK Policy, this serves as the Work Authorization Document) | 6. Awarded Years 2008-2009 | | |
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10. Reference(s):

ROSES NRA Program Element Title: AISR

Is this a Co-Investigator Task? yes Is this an Other than Solicited Task?

| 11. Funding Profile: | FY | '08 | FY | Z '09 | | FY | ''09 | | FY | '09 | FY' | 10 |
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| | Ap | proval | al Guideline | | 2 | Request | | Overguide | | Request | | |
| | \$ | 106.18 | K\$ | 76.4 | K | \$ | 76.4 | K | \$ | K | \$ | K |

12. Description (Current year progress, next year's goals/objectives, publications) (If this is a final report, please state that as well)

Year 1 (2008) Accomplishments:

- created morphologically accurate overhead mosaics of all rover Navcam imagery for Spirit and Opportunity and an automated pipeline to generate new mosaics for all future images
- created Map visualization capable of remote display of an entire rover mission investigation site coregistering HiRISE 25 cm base coverage with 1 cm rover Navcam coverage
- created and tested a localization correction system that specifies tiepoints of rover positions to HiRISE map coverage with an interactive drag and drop UI
- created bulk correction capability to perform localization correction on traverse location collections of arbitrary size
- Iterative refinement of the technology this year have resulted in a correction process that is even faster than we had originally estimated. Testing results demonstrate it is possible for a geologist to correct 4 years worth of mission traverse locations in one day (Tim Parker's results on correcting the Opportunity traverse bear this out)

Impact on Mars Exploration Rovers and Mars Science Laboratory operations:

- have already delivered the Map visualization to both MER science and engineering teams, already seeing considerable use in operations
- Map products from this effort have been used this year by Larry Crumpler (Long-term planning lead and Geology Theme Group for Spirit) and Tim Parker (Geology Theme Group for Opportunity) to provide regional context for science to date and to plan future activities for the rovers
- have delivered the Map visualization as part of the MSL activity planning subsystem for use in MSL operations in 2010 and in science team training/testing leading into 2010
- MSL mission operations subsystem team leads are discussing how best to take advantage of interactive localization correction in operations. There is likely to be some focused testing during upcoming operational readiness tests (ORTs) to try out various operations procedures and

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| Opportunity also) Publish these results inInvestigate the coregist | conference paper a cration of DEM info BD visualization cap | ormation in the mapping proces pability to enhance the Map vis | s |
| methodologies to learn | how to maximize t | the effectiveness of this technol | ogy for the mission. |